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Applicant : Kawai et al.  
Appl. No. : 09/761,532  
Filed : January 16, 2001  
For : OPTICAL SIGNAL  
TRANSMISSION DEVICE  
Examiner : D. S. Kim  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2004, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-captioned application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

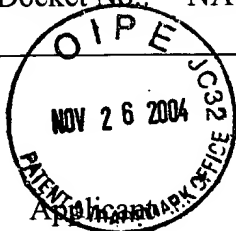
**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper. "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in the Appendix.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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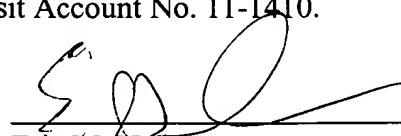
- (X) Amendment and Response to Office Action in 13 pages.
- (X) One Sheet of Replacement Drawing.

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